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Danbury Museum & Historical Society Authority

Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2010

Danbury Museum, Huntington Hall

43 Main Street

Danbury, CT 06810

In attendance: Robert Young, Kay Schreiber, Mike Kallas, Anne Harrigan, Natalie Weise, Mike McLachlan

Also attending: Levi Newsome, Tom Carruthers

1. President Robert Young called the meeting to order at 5:14pm. He asked all in attendance to review the minutes of February 2010. Kay Schreiber made a motion to accept the minutes as written with the one correction of the spelling for Mohonk Mountain House. Natalie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Robert reported that Brigid's baby had been born and both mother and baby were doing fine and that he had sent flowers on behalf of the Board. He also noted that former Board Member, Evelyn Durgy had passed away and that services are being held on March 13 from 3 to 4pm at Cornell Funeral Home. It was noted in Evelyn's obituary that contributions be made to the DMHAS in lieu of flowers.

2. Finance-No Report at this time.
3. Executive Directors Report
 - A, Tours-all is going well and tours are being held every Saturday.
 - B. Programs-"They Call me Lizzie" took place on Saturday, March 6 and had about 25 in attendance.
 - C. Volunteers- Going well, they continue to work on archives and research.
 - D. Donations-Some money has been received in memory of Buzz Stration who was a long time volunteer at the Museum. Brigid was considering doing a Sun Dial in the garden in memory of Evelyn Durgy. More to follow on this topic.
 - E. Research-Ongoing
 - F. Transition- Nothing to report at this time. Still ongoing.
 - G. General Comments-Brigid sends regards.
4. Fundraisers
 - A. Movie Event 2010 discussion-Nothing to report at this time.
 - B. Public Schools Programs-Schedule is filling in nicely and currently we have 5 schools confirmed.
 - C. Status Report on Brigid's maternity leave- Levi and Dianne will cover most of the week and Joretta will cover when she is available. All is in order.
5. Old Business-None reported

6. New Business-Tom Carruthers, Executive Director of the Connecticut Film Festival made a presentation asking the Museum to partner with the Festival on the night of May 5. In short, to assist in selling tickets and promoting the event. Also, it was noted that the Museum could get sponsorship moneys to help offset costs, etc. There is a possibility that this event could be a fundraiser for the Museum per Mr. Carruthers.

A motion was made by Mike McLachlan that despite the fact he would be unable to attend the event, he would like to approve the deal with the CT Film Festival and empower the staff and President to decide details , so that no further meetings would be needed. Natalie seconded the motion. After considerable discussion, the motion carried with one no vote and one abstention.

7. Adjournment- Mike made a motion to adjourn and Natalie seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:44pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kay Schreiber
Board Secretary